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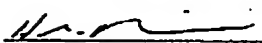
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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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The following amendment is submitted responsive to the Office Action dated  
September 23, 2004. Reconsideration and allowance of the claims is respectfully requested.

Please amend the application as follows.

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